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SUBJ: VISIT OF ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTER TO URUGUAY

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1. SUMMARY: ARGENTINE FONMIN GUZZETTI VISITED URUGUAY APRIL 28-29 TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST WITH FONMIN ROVIRA AND OTHER GOU OFFICIALS. U.S. POLICY ON HUMAN RIGHTS WAS, ACCORDING TO GUZZETTI, AN ITEM ON THE AGENDA. AN INCONSEQUENTIAL COMMUNIQUE WAS SIGNED AT TVU CONCLUSION OF THE VISIT IN WHICH A DATE WAS SET FOR A PRESIDENTIAL MEETING IN URUGUAY. END SUMMARY.

2. THE THIRD MEETING OF THE ARGENTINE FOREIGN MINISTER GUZZETTI WITH HIS URUGUAYAN COUNTERPART, ROVIRA, WAS HELD APRIL 28-29 IN MONTEVIDEO. THE VISIT WAS LARGELY TAKEN UP BY PRIVATE MEETINGS AND WAS DEVOID OF ALL BUT REQUIRED PROTOCOL CEREMONIES. GUZZETTI MET FOR 30 MINUTES WITH PRESIDENT MENDEZ AND ALSO PAID CALLS UPON THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE, CINCS AND LAFTA. IN HIS BRIEF PRESS CON-
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REFERENCE GUZZETTI TOLD REPORTERS THAT U.S. POLICY ON HUMAN RIGHTS MATTERS WAS A TOPIC OF CONVERSATION. HOWEVER, THE FONMIN POINTED OUT THAT DISCUSSIONS WERE LIMITED TO AN EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND OPINION. HE SAID THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES DID NOT INTEND TO ADOPT RIGID POSITIONS NOR CREATE ALIGNMENTS OR COMMON FRONTS.

3. A JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MEETINGS SET JUNE 28-30 AS THE DATES FOR THE UPCOMING VISIT OF PRESIDENT VIDELA TO URUGUAY. THE COMMUNIQUE ALSO NOTED WITH SATISFACTION THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SEVERAL JOINT ARGENTINE/URUGUAYAN COMMISSIONS AND THE SIGNING OF AN AGREEMENT NAMING MONTEVIDEO AS THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE MIXED TECHNICAL COMMISSION FOR THE MARITIME BOUNDARY CREATED BY THE RIVER PLATE BASIN TREATY. FURTHER COOPERATION IN THE AREA OF PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY WAS PLEDGED AS WAS PROGRESS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND INTEGRATION (SEE MONTEVIDEO A-33) (MAY 4, 1977). THE MINISTERS EXPRESSED THEIR INTEREST IN A COMPILATION OF PAST STUDIES AND PROPOSALS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BRIDGE BETWEEN BUENOS AIRES AND COLONIA, URUGUAY. THE COMMUNIQUE ALSO ADDED THAT THE MEETINGS INCLUDED DISCUSSION OF THE POSITIONS WHICH BOTH COUNTRIES WILL ADOPT IN THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE OAS. WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE REFORM OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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4. COMMENT: URUGUAYAN AND ARGENTINE PRESIDENTS, FOREIGN MINISTERS, AND OTHER OFFICIALS HAVE MAINTAINED VERY CLOSE CONTACT OVER THE PAST FOUR YEARS IN AN EFFORT TO RESOLVE MARITIME BOUNDARY CONFLICTS AND TAKE POSITIVE STEPS TO INCREASE REGIONAL INTEGRATION. THIS MEETING WAS THUS ONE OF A SERIES BUT WITH THE ADDED INGREDIENT OF A DISCUSSION OF U.S. POLICY ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND ITS IMPLICATIONS IN THE RIVER PLATE AREA. GUZZETTI'S DIS-

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CLAIMER ON A COMMON FRONT ON HUMAN RIGHTS MAY BE ACCURATE BUT THE CLOSE TIES BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS PROVIDE AMPLE OPPORTUNITY TO PRIVATELY COORDINATE POLICIES RELATED TO HUMAN RIGHTS, PARTICULARLY IN RESPONSE TO U.S. ACTIONS.

5. ONE FONMINISTRY SOURCE COMMENTED TO CHARGE THAT US HUMAN RIGHTS POLICIES DID FIGURE IMPORTANTLY IN PRIVATE DISCUSSIONS AND THAT THERE WOULD BE A "TENDENCY" FOR THE TWO COUNTRIES TO COORDINATE THEIR ATTITUDES BOTH IN THE OAS AND IN THEIR BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH THE US. HE VIEWED SUCH COORDINATION AS A "NATURAL REACTION" TO THE PROBLEMS JOINTLY FACED BY BOTH COUNTRIES IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH THE US. ANOTHER FONMINISTRY SOURCE TOLD CHARGE THAT WHILE THERE WAS DISCUSSION OF THE DESIRABILITY OF DEVELOPING A JOINT APPROACH OR AT LEAST A COINCIDENCE OF VIEWS, THE GOU NEVERTHELESS WISHED TO RETAIN ITS OWN "INDIVIDUALITY" AND HENCE THE FLEXIBILITY TO ACT INDEPENDENTLY WITHOUT BEING COMMITTED TO JOINT ACTION.

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